IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (PROF. M.G.K. MENON): (a) to (d) It is true that the number of elective subjects a student of Kendriya Vidyalaya can offer at plus two stage is lesser than those available to non-Kendriya Vidyalaya students in the Union Territory of Delhi. The All India Kendriya Vidyalaya Teachers' Association has asked for introduction of more elective subjects such as Physical Education, Music, Drawing and Civics at plus 2 stage in the Kendriya Vidyalayas. The suggestion has not been found feasible by the Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan because of constraint of resources.

Transfer of Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan Teachers in violation of guidelines

1786. DR. NARREDDY THULASI REDDY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question 77 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 14th March, 1990 and state:

(a) what are the details regarding compassionate grounds and compelling administrative exigencies in each case, which promopted the then Chairman Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan to order the said 181 transfer of teachers; and

(b) what are the details of the written objection raised by the Vice-Chairman Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (PROF. M.G.K. MENON): (a) The teachers of Kendriya Vidyalayas had been approaching the then Chairman, Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan (KVS) and representing to him on their difficulties and pleading for transfers. Keeping such representations in view, the Chairman directed the transfer of 181 teachers on extreme compassionate grounds and compelling administrative exigencies. No details relating to these circumstances are available on record.

(b) Before Chairman, KVS gave his final direction for these transfers, full implications of the proposal were presented to him. The implications presented were the following:—

(i) The requests for transfers made to the Chairman were not invariably in the form prescribed by the KVS. Accepting such requests, and permitting transfers on that basis, would imply acceptance of applications not presented in prescribed form.

(ii) If these transfers were to be carried out and if they were not treated as "request transfers", the KVS would have to bear the transfer TA expenses in respect of the concerned employees. This would be undeserved.

(iii) Normally all cases of transfers are examined on merits with reference to norms prescribed by the KVS itself and appropriate orders issued. To the extent of orders given by the Chairman himself for transfers, the relevant applications were not capable of examination on merits by the KVS itself.

(iv) A representation to Prime Minister that had been received, expressing grievances in regard to these transfers, was pending and would need to be kept in view.

Extensions to senior army/Naval Officers

1787. SHRI BIR BHADRA PRATAP SINGH:

SHRI BHAGATRAM MANHAR:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have given a number of extensions to senior Army and Naval officers recently;